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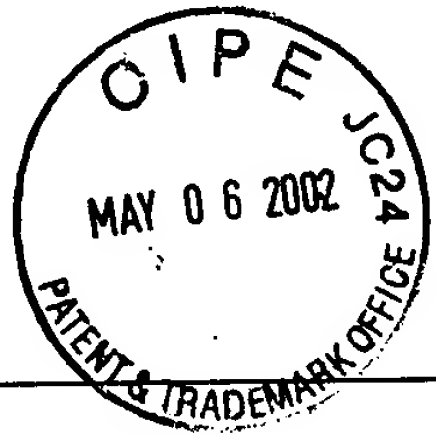
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Application No.: 09/780,114

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For: METHOD FOR DETECTION OF
THE PRESENCE OR ABSENCE OF
METHYLTHIOADENOSINE
PHOSPHORYLASE (MTase) IN A
CELL SAMPLE BY DETECTION OF
THE PRESENCE OR ABSENCE OF
MTase ENCODING NUCLEIC ACID IN
THE CELL SAMPLE

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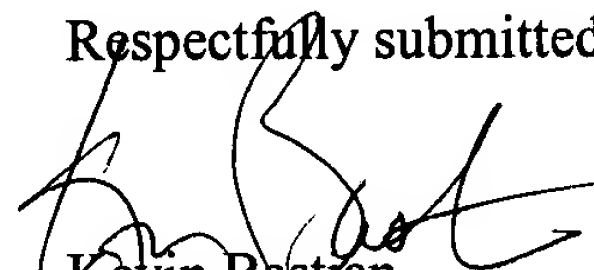
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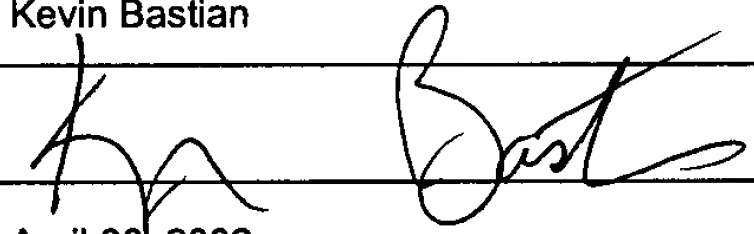
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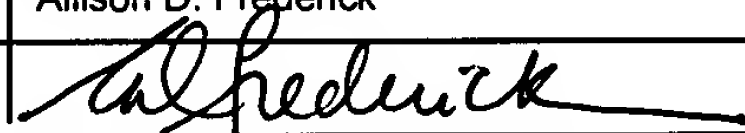
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